

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
17 FEBRUARY 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased Workforce Participation

Output Group: Working Age Policy Group

Outputs: Working Age Policy and Legislation

Question Number: W257-05

Question:

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 26/27: “Can the Department explain why there have been delays in obtaining quarterly data to enable trend analysis?”

Answer:

This data is provided by Centrelink. Centrelink has advised that during the latter part of 2004, there was some delay in the provision of quarterly data, as Centrelink was waiting on confirmation from the Breaching Review Taskforce that the quarterly data provided was, in fact, meeting the needs of welfare sector organisations. During this time, Centrelink maintained ongoing liaison with NSW Welfare Rights Network who were also represented on the Taskforce.